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USSR MILITARY SECONDARY SCHOOLS
LOWER MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

A comparison of the 1950 and 1951 notices of admission to Soviet military secondary schools reveals that the minimum age requirement for entrance has been lowered from 18 to 17 years of age.

Notices published in the Soviet press prior to the beginning of the 1950 - 1951 school year, for the most part, gave 18-23 as the age requirement for admission to secondary military schools. The 1951 - 1952 notices gave 17-23 as the age requirement.

The 1950 notice of admission to the Kiev Red Banner Infantry School imeni Rebochikh Krasnogo Zamoskvorech'ya specified that the school was accepting young men 18-23 years of age, graduates of the tenth grade of secondary school, who are physically fit for combat service.(1) The 1951 notice gave the age requirement as 17-23.(2)

The change in the age requirement does not seem to be confined to any one branch of the service. The Kiev Red Banner Signals School imeni M. I. Kalinin announced in 1950 that it was accepting young men 18-23 years of age for training as signal troops officers(3); this year's notice gave 17-23 as the age requirement.(4)

The First Leningrad Order of Lenin Red Banner Artillery School imeni Krasnogo Oktyabrya was accepting young men 18-23 years of age last year (5), and is accepting men 17-23 years of age this year.(6)

Last year's announcement of the Leningrad Red Banner Military Topographical School stated that young men 18-23 years of age were being accepted for training as topographic, cartographic, and geodetic officers (7); this year, the minimum age requirement has been lowered to 17.(8)

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Several school notices which appeared in 1950, but which were not repeated in 1951, and others which appeared only in 1951, may also illustrate the change in the age requirement.

The 18-23 age limit appeared in the 1950 notices of admission to the Zhitomir Red Banner Antiaircraft Artillery School and the Odessa Order of Lenin Artillery School imeni M. V. Frunze (9), and also the Baku? Military School for MVD Troops.(10) The 1951 notice of the Kiev Order of Lenin Red Banner Artillery School imeni S. M. Kircv called for young men 17-23 years of age.(11)

Certain military schools, however, such as the Tashkent Order of Lenin Tank School imeni I. V. Stalin, called for young men "up to 23 years of age" in both the 1950 (12) and 1951 (13) announcements.

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